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From 6 to 10 a.m. on 5 October 1953, there was continuous vehicular traffic of tanks and motor vehicles through Bernau toward Zepernick from the direction of Schoenwalde. About 10 trucks, 8 motorcycles and 4 armored scout cars came from the direction of Schoenwalde and proceeded toward Bernau. Trucks and troops were assembled at the Schoenow troop training grounds. Artillery, mortar and carbine firing was heard throughout the day. After 5:40 a.m. on 6 October, truck columns and about 15 T-43 tanks were seen en route toward Bernau. The occupation of clothing depot No I has increased.

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1. Comment. The report confirms field exercises by units of the 25th Tank Div and, probably, also by units of the 6th Gds Mecz Div held in the Schoenwalde-Schoenow area north of Berlin from 2 to 5 October. Elements seen en route toward Zepernick probably were units of the 25th Tank Div which were loaded in Buch. The tank mentioned in the report are carried with the division.

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2. Comment. clothing depot No I has been reoccupied by units of the unidentified artillery brigade of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army after 5 October.

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